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Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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Chief-Designate, Interdepartmental Affairs Staff

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SUBJECT: Status Report on Interdepartmental Activities (U)

Poland

1. Aid to Poland was discussed at an NSC meeting on 15 September. I understand that there was an agreement to provide food aid, but reluctance to provide longer-term financial aid. Follow-on meetings are anticipated to review U.S. policy as the Polish situation evolves. (Action officer: [redacted] Acting NIO/USSR). (S)

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2. The IG met on 10 September and agreed on the date (30 November) and place (Geneva) for beginning negotiations with the Soviets. A draft announcement was approved, and Soviet DCM Bessmertrykh was informed. We anticipate two more SCG meetings with the Allies before the negotiations begin. We do not know yet whether the NSC will meet to review our approach to the negotiations before 30 November. It is likely, however, that there will be an SIG meeting later this Fall to review the approach. (Action officer: [redacted] C/ACIS). (S)

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ASAT

3. The ASAT IG met for the second time on 9 September to devise a strategy for dealing with the Soviet draft treaty, which prohibits the stationing of weapons of any kind in outer space. This Soviet proposal is to be addressed during the UN General Assembly this month. The IG directed the Working Group to investigate the advisability of a more assertive, declaratory posture on ASAT. The Working Group concluded on 14 September that it would be inadvisable to go beyond the already approved declaratory policy. No SIG or NSC meetings are anticipated at this time. (Action officer: [redacted] C/ACIS). (S)

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Nuclear Testing

4. More information on the 9 September IG -- ACDA favors continuing the U.S. commitment to the "eventual goal" of achieving a verifiable CTB, but JCS, OSD, and DoE contend that a CTB is not in our interest as long as we must rely on nuclear weapons for deterrence. JCS and OSD were asked to redraft the interim policy paper, which may have to be reviewed by a senior IG. Meanwhile, the overall review of U.S. nuclear testing policy is being delayed by the DoD, which is addressing U.S. security needs to conduct nuclear explosions. [redacted] Another IG meeting is scheduled for today. (Action officer: [redacted] OSWR.) (S)

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Chemical and Biological Weapons

5. The IG met on 11 September to discuss the Soviet use of toxic agents in South East Asia and to plan the 14 September public announcement exposing Soviet actions. [redacted] (OSWR) participated, but was not identified, in the panel discussion following the public announcement made by Ambassador Stoessel. Meanwhile, the IG Working Group is continuing work on a U.S. CBW arms control strategy and a proposed demarche to the Soviets on their CBW activities in Afghanistan and South East Asia. (Action officer: [redacted] ACIS.) (S/NF)

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East-West Trade

6. The State Department has scheduled a SIG meeting on East-West economic relations for 21 September as a follow-on to the SIG discussion of 25 August. The agenda consists of (a) alternatives to West Siberia-Western Europe pipeline for West European energy supply, and (b) progress of preparations for the high-level COCOM meeting in the Fall. The CIA paper on the pipeline has been circulated. The Commerce-chaired Working Group is drafting a report on preparations for the COCOM High-Level Meeting for the SIG's review. (Action officer: [redacted] Acting NIO/USSR.) (C)

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Foreign Assistance Budget

7. The Department of State is hosting an interdepartmental meeting today to discuss the proposed FY 83 Foreign Assistance Budget. The DDCI and D/NFAC have decided that CIA representation is not required. (C)

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Panama

9. The draft NSDD on policy toward Panama will be recirculated following the incorporation of changes proposed by Treasury. (Action officer: [redacted] A/NIO/LA.) (C)

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Other Issues

--The NSC staff is still waiting for Presidential action on the SIG memorandum on policy toward Micronesia. (Action officer: [redacted] D/ICS.) (C)

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--The NSC staff anticipates future NSC deliberations on U.S. economic aid to Romania. NSC Staff Director, Allen Lenz, is about to ask OER for analyses of Romania's oil and hard currency problems. (Action officer: [redacted] Acting NIO/USSR.) (C)

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